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Buddhānussati mettā ca Asubham maraņassati Iccimā catur'ākkhā Kātabbāca vipassanā These four meditations-recollections of the Buddha, good will, the foulness of the body, and mindfulness of death-are guardians & means of insight that should be done.

Visuddha-dhamma-santāno Auttarāya bodhiyā, Yogato ca pabodhā ca Buddho Buddho'ti ñāyate. *The Buddha is unfailingly pure. Because of his unexcelled Awakening, and because he trains other to awaken, he is known as the Awakened/Awakening One.*

Narānara-tiracchāna-bhedā sattā sukhesino Sabbe pi sukhino hontu Sukhitattā ca khemino. All living beings-human, non-human, & animal-who are searching for happiness: May they all be happy and, through their happiness, secure.

Kesa-lomādi-chavānam Ayam'eva samussayo, Kāyo sabbo pi jeguccho Vaņņādito paţikkulo This conglomeration of things from dead bodies, like hair of the head & hair of the body: The body as a whole is disgusting and, in terms of such things as its colors, unclean.

Jīvit'indriy'upaccheda-sankhāta-maraṇam siyā Sabbesam pīdha pāṇīnam, tañhi dhuvam na jīvitam Death, the destruction of the faculty of life, will come to all beings. Death is certain, but life is not.